

222. Officials at SIFO Aussonstello KINIGER known to

First O.C. (Leiter Aussonstello): Kriminalsekretär WILK
Now Kriminalassistent in the SIFO Leitstelle KINIGER

Second O.C. Kriminalassistent THOMAS. Recently transferred to
KATZMANN (KATZMANN).

Present O.C. Unknown to MEER.

2nd I.C. Kriminalsekretär HÄHNCHEN.

Interrogators and general employees in 1940/41.

Kriminaloberassistent MEER.

Kriminalassistentenwärter KINIGER.

Interpreter CHIK.

Interpreter THOMAS.

Like MEER, as Kriminalassistent, end 1939 - August 1940,
as Kriminaloberassistent, August 1940 - Mid-Jan. 1942.

223. Some of these officials may have been transferred elsewhere
since January 1942.

224. SIFO Sonderkommando (Special Command).

MEER knows definitely only of one, in WILKIN. He believes that
similar Sonderkommandos exist in other occupied countries. There is only
the one WILKIN Special Detachment in the Generalgouvernement, newly
created in mid-January 1942. It depends directly from the Befehlshaber,
and is not subject to the control or check of the SS and Police Leader
of his Distrikt. (See para 224.) It has a very small establishment,
without departments or sections, and no branches in any other district or
city.

225. Staff of SIFO Sonderkommando in October 1941.

Kommandeur: WILKIN, Kriminalrat and SS Sturmbannführer (= Major)

2nd I.C.: WILKIN, Kriminalsekretär und SS Untersturmführer (Capt.)

A shorthand typist: a girl from BERLIN (name forgotten).

226. Functions of the SIFO Sonderkommando.

MEER is unable to state them precisely but has mentioned the
Kommandeur and his activities several times. In answer to the question
what constituted a Sonderkommando, MEER replied that WILKIN was the
Kommandeur. The appointment seems to have been based on WILKIN's
special qualifications. He is cunning, premeditating and ruthless. He
would appear to be an arch-archer. He negotiated peace plans with
leaders of M.I.F. only to have them liquidated a little later by their
Germanic countrymen, after WILKIN had furnished the latter with names
of their leaders' guilty association and collaboration with the German
government, and after having those leaders "legally" condemned to death
by the Polish secret parliament through his own Polish henchmen. WILKIN
appears to be in charge of the penetration of Polish secret organizations in
general and has planted in them many agents who report to him all new
developments and plans. In April or May 1943 MEER told MEER that WILKIN
was then an Obersturmführer to the Sonderkommando to help recruit agents,
especially from Polish Secret organizations, for work abroad. (See para 226.)
MEER had no contact with the regular SIFO Kommandeur at WILKIN and
was WILKIN. MEER likewise had many contacts with leaders of Polish
secret organizations and therefore he and WILKIN had very intimate
relations. MEER also knew personally some of the agents recruited for the
Sonderkommando. In general he seems to have covered the same ground, on a lower level.

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SPITZER. Therefore the latter's functions may be summed up as penetration of Polish secret organizations and enlistment of agents from these patriotic groups for service abroad as employees of AMT VI. This is the only instance revealed by MERZ of activities of AMT VI in occupied territory under German civil administration. According to MERZ AMT VI has not normally permanent officials on the staff of Sipo Befehlshaber or Kommandeur, and in this one case their representative was sent to LUBLIN only for a specific task and a limited period.

226. Dual Control of Sipo in Occupied Territory.

This control is similar to that of SD, Sipo and Kripo in the Reich as described in paragraph 142 above. In the Generalgouvernement there is a Führer SS and Polizeiführer (Chief SS and Police Leader) who, like his colleagues in Germany, reports direct to HIMMLER and is in charge of all SS and police, including Sipo and Polish police officials in the entire territory. Witten SS are only subject to his discipline whilst not attached to a combatant unit. He has under him five SS and Police Leaders, one for each Distrikt. These are responsible, in their Distrikte, for all SS, German, and Polish police, and Sipo, not only for SS as in the Reich. There are no inspectors of Sipo and Sipo in occupied territory. These SS and Police Leaders hold much higher rank than the Sipo Kommandeure.

227. List of SS and Police Leaders in Generalgouvernement.

Chief SS and Police Leader in Gdansk: SS Obergruppenführer KRIEGER.

SS and Police Leader in Cracow: Name unknown.

SS and Police Leader in Lodz: Name unknown. Formerly KRIEGER (Now at Lemberg).

SS and Police Leader in Warsaw: Name unknown. Formerly SS Brigadeführer STREIT, or STREIT, since October 1943. Chief SS and Police Leader, GRUBER.

SS and Police Leader in Lublin: SS Brigadeführer OLCOWSKI, who supervised the evacuation of Polish peasants from the farms in his Distrikt in the Spring of 1943.

SS and Police Leader in Galicia: SS Brigadeführer KATHNER, formerly of Lodz.

(c) Sipo Einsatzkommandos (Sipo Field Detachments).

228. Einsatzkommandos in 1939 in Poland.

Originally used as an experiment in Poland, in September 1938, when they were attached to Armeen. MERZ was in such a Sipo detachment, from 21st August 1939 to November 1939 (SICE ME-OHT NO.4, Chapter 3, pp. 4 and 5). In 1939 there were probably two Sipo Einsatzgruppen (Sipo Field Groups) No. I with the Northern Army Group, No. II (MERZ's) with the Southern Army Group. Each Sipo Field Group contained several Einsatzkommandos. MERZ's was No. 5 in Group II (Einsatzkommando II/5, Annex-54d.)

229. Einsatzkommandos in 1941/42.

They underwent considerable changes after the Polish campaign. Administratively they are now probably placed under AMT I of MERZ. This AMT creates field detachments for a specific purpose or area, by selecting men from the various Armeen. Though AMT I forms these units and continues to act as administrative head for these bodies, much as the Wasserschutz (Doppel Rea) functions for army regiments, the staff work is probably done at AMT IV and the O.Cs. of Einsatzkommandos receive their orders from AMT IV through the Sipo Befehlshaber or Sipo Kommandeur of their area under whose

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